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Recreational trails get the go-ahead

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point town council took two extra days and a special meeting to iron out the details, but two parts of their planned walking trail project now have a go-ahead. Mayor Parrish Tung says that after further discussions with the contractor, council approved the tender for the walking trail through the ravine to the Elk Point Recreation Park and for the widening the east side of 54 Street from Railway Ave. to Highway 646 to make it safer for pedestrians. A third project, involving a walking trail paralleling 50 Ave. to its intersection with Range Road ---m has gone back to the drawing board for a redraft, after council had concerns with the safety aspects of the project as it had been tendered.

Servicing costs for additional residential lots were also under discussion at the special meeting, after cost estimates received by last Monday's regular meeting were incomplete. Council agreed to ask for tenders by invitation only for the development.

With two agenda items tabled to the special meeting, the regular meeting saw second and third readings given to Bylaw 707/12, pertaining to moving a lane a minimal distance to allow for garage construction, with that move now approved by Alberta Transportation.

The resignation of Amy Bullock from the Elk Point library board was accepted, that resignation being tendered because she is now an employee, and therefore, not qualified to be a board member.

Coun. Dwayne Yaremkevich reported from Monday's MuniCorr meeting that Riverland Recreational Trail Society is planning to meet with every municipality along the trail's length, familiarizing the municipalities with the activities of that society and asking if funds now going to the product club could be redirected to their activities. RRTS expects to attend the July 23 council meeting.

Council was advised that Municipal Sustainability Initiative funding has been approved for the municipal plan.



Vicki Brooker photo

Backroads, beaver hats and missing clues

One of the biggest mysteries of Saturday's GPS-based 'Backroads and Beaver Hats' event was the whereabouts of one of the clue caches, but Dwayne Ronnie of Slave Lake (right) used his extensive knowledge of the fur trade to win the costume prize, and also provided a plausible answer to the eight-clue mystery hunt. Fort George and Buckingham House program coordinator Ross Stromberg presents his prize. Story, Page 2.

Saskatoon Festival celebrates '92 volunteers

By VICKI BROOKER
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It's hard to believe that it's already 20 years since Elk Point and district celebrated both the grand opening of their local provincial historic site, and along with it, the Bicentennial of Fort George and Buckingham House, the twin fur trade forts built side by side by the North West Company and the Hudson's Bay Company in 1792.

Each year since 1992, school groups, bus tours and visitors from around the world have come to what is locally known as "the Forts" to learn about the history of one of Alberta's earliest settlements, to admire the stunning views of the North Saskatchewan River valley from the multimedia interpretive centre and to enjoy the signature events that bring to life a taste of the fur trade culture.

One of those events is taking place this Sunday, July 22, at the annual Saskatoon Festival. This event started out as an afternoon to drive out to the Forts and eat saskatoon pie and ice cream, but has expanded to include an outdoor craft sale, entertainment and children's activities, along with tours to the original fort sites. Event organizer Donna Chamberland reports that she still has room for a few more crafters, and those who are interested may call the Forts at 780-724-2611 to book a table.

This year, the Saskatoon Festival is also a time of reunion, with special invitations going to members (or descendants of members) of the Elk Point Historical Society of the late 1980s and early 1990s, who lobbied long and hard for development of the historic site, the politicians who supported the development and helped to make it hap-

pen, the Advisory Board that oversaw the project and the Bicentennial Committee that organized a yearlong celebration highlighted by a three-day, multi-event weekend to mark the 200th anniversary of Fort George and Buckingham House in grand style.

Displays, demonstrations and entertainment, and of course, the signature saskatoon pie, are also on Sunday's agenda, so whether you haven't been to the Forts for a while, if you've been meaning to get out there but never seem to find the time, or even if you're a frequent visitor, this is an event you won't want to miss. Caution: you may end up having such fun that you'll want to come back at the end of August for the Forts des Prairies Jamboree, another very popular event on the Fort George and Buckingham House calendar.



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Committee critiques Canada Day 2012

By VICKI BROOKER
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Elk Point's Canada Day committee held their 2012 evaluation meeting on July 5, and went over the day in detail to facilitate planning for next year's event.

The committee should have a moderate nest egg to start with next year, treasurer Deanna Easthope reported, even after paying bills that had not arrived by the time of the meeting.

The 45-minute long interdenominational church service was felt to have gone very well, with an estimated 75 worshipers in attendance.

The annual pancake breakfast went smoothly, with a steady stream of customers, but some complaints were reported

regarding the lack of musical entertainment, which has been part of the break-fast in recent years.

The parade was much enjoyed by viewers, with the bagpipe band once again a highlight and the CFB jet flyover a big hit with the crowd.

The children's activities were very well attended, with long lineups at the bounce castles and Sprinkles the Clown proving extremely popular with the little ones. Laverne Wilson reported good volunteer involvement with the lineup of games.

Numerous positive comments were heard about the afternoon stage show, which featured a good variety of acts that kept the crowd entertained to the very end.

The eighth annual Bear Den strength challenge also was well attended, with eight contestants vying for substantial cash prizes.

Ron Harasiuk was praised for his fun-filled Dare Challenge, which he said was made possible by "a lot of cooperation" from willing assistants, and prizes from 14 generous sponsors.

The Canada Day Idol once again provided good entertainment, although the competition was shorter than usual due to four last-minute cancellations.

Food service was available throughout the day, with the chamber, Elk Point Co-op, the travel club and the Elks Lodge offerings supplemented by a pair of mobile vendors.

The day wound up with a fireworks show that was described by committee members as "excellent!" and "awesome!"

The Canada Day committee will reconvene in January 2013.



Canada Day Committee chairperson Bernice Capjack rode the handsome Town of Elk Point float with a young friend in the Canada Day parade.

Clue eludes Backroaders

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

The Backroads and Beaver Hats mystery could well have been called 'the case of the missing clue' as eight GPS-equipped teams returned to Fort George and Buckingham House mystified by their inability to find one of the event's eight clues.

"Perhaps it's been mugged," suggested program coordinator Ross Stromberg helpfully, using a geocaching term meaning stolen or vandalized.

Mugged, it wasn't - just well hidden, as the one team that came back to the forts and consulted the hider of the clues, then went back for another look, discovered - it was simply damp and less accessible, tucked well into a culvert that partially filled with water after a heavy shower that occurred between hiding and the search.

The mystery - with copies of the missing clue supplied when the teams returned to mull them over as they munched jam-drenched bannock and sipped tea - regarded a murder long ago but not far away at Fort de l'Isle, upriver from Fort George and Buckingham House.

Theories regarding the reason for the crime ranged from blackmail to the possibility of stolen gold, and even to the non-availability of iPhones and the appropriate apps, however, this was not the historically accurate case.

Stromberg said the murderer may have felt his deed, not punishable by the Hudson's Bay Company in their "proprietary colony, would get him sent back to England, or at least to Lower Canada, where authorities would dismiss the charge to save the cost of sending him to England.

Ralph and Sharon Styles of Edmonton took home the prize for the best theory, Wendy Stewart-Hughes a prize as the only one to actually find all eight clues, and the Hughes family, from St. Albert, a prize as the most helpful to their fellow searchers.

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Lloydminster vocalist named Elk Point's 2012 Canada Day Idol

Alison FERENCE is Junior section winner

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Tatum Williams of Lloydminster, fresh from her share of the Dare Challenge championship, kept her winning streak going at the 2012 Canada Day Idol competition when she was named the overall winner for her song, a bouncy original entitled, "I Like Boys Who Like Girls Who Play Guitar."

Williams was one of three out-of-town winners in the competition, with second place going to junior section winner Alison FERENCE of Bonnyville, who sang "Take Me or Leave Me" and third to Cassidy Zahar of Vilna with her rendition of "Wild Flowers."

Other contestants in the junior section included Patience Colbourne of Bonnyville, a little girl with a big voice who sang "Shake it Up," Alyssa Maltais of Elk Point with "C'est l'Amour," Tristan Espartero of Edmonton with "The Man That Can't be Moved," Megan

Hawryluk of Lloydminster, singing "Angel," Savannah Mack of Glendon with "If I Die Young" and a duet of Alison FERENCE and Kirsten Charun, "Take Me or Leave Me."

The senior section also featured Madison McGrath of Bonnyville, with "Don't You Remember?" a Native hip-hop duo, Block 45 Predicament, with a compelling message in their original number, "Life Has its Lessons," Myron Cotton of Glendon with "Spin You Around," Brianne Greening of Elk Point with "Someone Like You" and Frog Lake duo, The Luvs, who wowed the crowd with Neil Young's "Heart of Gold," featuring some very fine harmonica.

The winner, along with half of the contest entry fees, received five hours of recording studio time provided by Phunkin Gruuve Records of Lloydminster, 20 CDs from Black Box Studios in Edmonton, and CD liners, letterhead, business cards and presentation folder from Wee Write

Consulting, Elk Point. The second prize winner took home 30 per cent of total entry fees and two hours of recording time, while the third prize winner received the remaining 20 per cent. The junior category prize was also two hours of recording time. All contestants received gift certificates for a 30-minute introductory music lesson from Black Box Studios.

Jena Colbourne was mistress of ceremonies for the show, with Stephanie Roinier singing O Canada and Rick Fawcett of The Spur FM and Kenny Mac of Phunkin Gruuve doing the judging.



Vicki Brooker photo

And the winners are...

Canada Day Idol 2012 organizer Dee Pankiw (right) congratulates the cream of the crop from the July 1 competition: (left to right) first runner-up and Junior winner Alison FERENCE of Bonnyville, Canada Day Idol Tatum Williams of Lloydminster and second runner-up Cassidy Zahar of Vilna.

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by Your Natural Choice Apple Drugs pharmacist, Chris Letawsky



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- A new form of medication that works extremely quickly and is easy to take will appear in Canada over the next 2 years. Thin, fast-dissolving wafers will soon be available with various flavours like mint or watermelon (take your dose and freshen your mouth as well!). The first oral wafer may be a migraine medication for fast action with wafers for sleep and motion-sickness to follow.
- Summertime is beef barbecue time. Why not substitute fish or chicken for that thick steak on occasion? Long-term studies in the U.S. followed over 37,000 men and almost 84,000 women on their red meat consumption and found that consuming less (both red and processed meats) led to a healthier life. And remember, a suitable serving of red meat is about palm-sized (4 oz).
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EDITORIAL

Remembering the glory days

At the time, the heavily committed volunteers called it "Augie 1, 2, 3" was a nonstop whirl of activity rarely seen before or since, as Elk Point and area celebrated the Bicentennial of Fort George and Buckingham House, this event coming right on the heels of the opening of the provincial historic site and its interpretive centre.

Years of lobbying by the historical society and much effort by all levels of government had brought this about. Much effort on behalf of the site's advisory board aided its completion. Much effort by the Bicentennial Committee, made up of individuals from many walks of life and Bicentennial coordinator Billie Milholland, produced a tremendous and unique birthday party we're still marveling over 20 years later.

The Forts are celebrating those volunteers this Sunday. Come on out and join the reminiscing!

WAY BACK WHEN...

Sod turning, stampeding, school dedication

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 17 IN...

1987

Crystal McPherson turned the sod to officially begin construction of a 13,198 square foot auto centre that would house Lakeland Tire, Ultimate Glass and Upholstery and Bumper to Bumper, and would also feature a convenience store and gas bar. A neighbourhood playground in the North Subdivision was one of the recipients of Community Recreation and Cultural Grant funding, with two lots allocated and neighbourhood residents eager to carry out the work.

1992

Town council passed a bylaw permitting rezoning three lots at the southwest corner of town from high density residential to institutional as a potential site for a new Roman Catholic church. F. G. Miller's Class of 1972 was reunited to reminisce about their school days two decades earlier.

1997

Stoney Lake Stampede boasted a local winner when Erica Nielsen was named the Junior Barrel Racing champion. Jamie Schnurer won the All-Around championship at the Elk Point Saddle Slickers 4-H Light Horse Club achievement day after she and Ashley Larson both presented impromptu speeches to break a tie in the point standings.

2002

Elk Point's first school site was dedicated as the ribbon held by students of that school, Lyle and Ivan Howe, Rose Blacklock, Martha Lorensen and Wes Scott was cut by their schoolmate, Sid Holthe, on a handsome wrought iron sign two miles east of town along Highway 646. Town council considered moving up the date for replacement of the town fire truck, depending on the cost of repairs needed by the current unit.

2007

The cancellation of proposed curb, gutter and paving upgrades on 49 Ave. left the town with the potential to repair other roads, with Railway Ave. east of Highway 41 one of the possibilities, and town manager Myron Goyan to get prices on the project. Former mayors Ed Buck, Allan Buck and Bruce Kleeberger were among the special guests at Elk Point's Centennial celebrations.

GUEST COLUMN

You're from where?

It is now summer vacation time and some of us will be able to travel away from Elk Point. Our desire will be to see something different. After all; remember the world is like a book. If we only stay in Elk Point, we will only be reading one page in the book. Just like books are written for us to enjoy and learn from, the world of many different places and people will also give us something to enjoy and learn from. Thus the message is – have a good summer everyone no matter what place you chose to travel to. It's all about reading more pages in your life's experiences book. Speaking of books, the other day I learned something I didn't know before. Did you know some great people have come from small towns? J.C. Penney, Walt Disney, General John J. Pershing, Mark Twain and Otto Rohwedder, the inventor of sliced bread are a few examples of famous people born in the State of Missouri.

J.C. Penney was born in Hamilton, Missouri in 1875. His father was a farmer and unpaid Baptist minister who taught his children to believe in the Golden Rule. Young Penney wanted to be a lawyer but could not afford college tuition. After high school he worked on his father's farm and found employment as a clerk in a local dry goods store. He moved to Colorado, where he opened his own butcher shop, which promptly failed. He went to work in another dry goods store, and after a few years he was offered a job of assistant manager at a Wyoming shop called the Golden Rule Store. When the Golden Rule Store proved prosperous, Penney was offered a chance to buy a one-third share in a new store in Kemmerer, Wyo. The price was \$2,000, and he had only \$500 in savings, but he signed an I.O.U. for the rest. Within a few years Penney was a partner in three Golden Rule stores, and in 1907 he bought out his partners. His stores were among the first retailers to offer "one price for all" instead of haggling on almost every sale, and Penney set the

price low enough to earn a "a fair remuneration and not all the profits the traffic will bear". Elias Disney, Walt's father, had moved his family from Chicago to Marcelkine in 1906, when young Walter was only four, after two of their neighbor boys had attempted to steal a car and killed a local policeman in a shoot-out. As a child, Walt spent more time

in both Chicago and Kansas City, but Marceline had a far greater impact on his life than any other place the nomadic Disneys landed. Disney spoke of his years in Marceline as his halcyon days and was quoted by a newspaper as saying "To tell the truth, more things of importance happened to me in Marceline than have happened since, or are likely to in the future." Laclede, the hometown

of General John "Black Jack" Pershing was given the highest rank ever offered a U.S. military leader "General of the Armies of the United States" – a rank that Congress created especially for him after distinguished service in World War 1. Actually, Laclede had a population of 415 at the 2000 census. So yes, it is a small town. Mark Twain was born Samuel Langhorne Clemens in a small town in Missouri in 1835. While he did some writing in his early adult life, his real passion was for the Mississippi River. He apprenticed on a steamboat and became a licensed riverboat captain at the age of 23. The Civil War stopped his sailing career only two years later, and after a short service in the Confederate army, Clemens returned to writing. Twain adopted his pseudonym, a river term noting where the water level becomes two fathoms – the minimum safe navigation depth. Twain began his fiction-writing career first through fictional comic travel letters, and became one of literature's best-known and best-loved authors with his fictional accounts of the life and times of Tom Sawyer and The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn.

Chillicothe, a small town in 2009 had a population of 8,706, and is the hometown of Otto Rohwedder, the inventor of sliced bread in 1928. "The Greatest Thing Since Sliced Bread".

All of these examples are from the State of Missouri and what does this have to do with our small town of Elk Point? Can we say that some day we will have a great person who came from Elk Point, a small town, and people will ask: "You are from where?" Why that is where ... came from!



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from the FCSS desk

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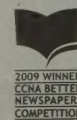
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Class of 2012 cashes in

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Canada Day corrections

Our apologies to Bernice Batdorf, who was mistakenly identified as Marie Srdic in our Canada Day coverage, and to Coldwell Banker Team Realty, mistakenly called Coldwell Banker Cartier in the Canada Day thank you ad.

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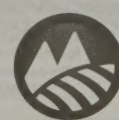
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Thirteen teams take the Canada Day Dare

By VICKI BROOKER

Review Staff

A baker's dozen of two-member teams took on the Dare Challenge on Canada Day, with this new event, replacing the Farm Survival Challenge, getting wild and western as they tried out Ron Harasiuk's brave new lineup.

A smidgen of rodeo knowledge helped in several facets



of the race, starting with one member of each team being fitted with reins and a blindfold and climbing aboard a stick horse to pull a wagon bearing their partner through a slalom course of barrels and back to the starting point.

After testing their teamwork with a stunt on plank tandem skis while holding a ball between their legs, the duos were challenged to saw chunks off a fence post with a bow saw. Then it was off to a plywood surface where one partner donned a helmet topped by a container and knelt on the plywood while their partner bounced ping-pong balls off the board into the container.

Back to the rodeo ring again for team roping – two saddled barrel/horses, three roping dummies and a whole lot of lassos were put in play as the teams did their best to make one or more head catches.

The next event was more like football training camp, with a course of tires laid out as an obstacle course for a

human wheelbarrow race.

The final event was most definitely western, with one partner skipping down the field to tie a bandanna on one of four deceptively innocent looking goats borrowed from the Lakeland College Rodeo Team, then gathering up a pigging string and skipping back to hand over the string to their partner, who then had to run down to the marked goat, wrestle it to the ground and securely tie together three of its legs before running back to the starting line and stopping the clock.

At least three of the teams got the series of jobs done in less time than it takes to write about it, with Matthew Harasiuk and Tatum Williams placing first with three minutes, 22 seconds. Ryan Mudryk and Rianne Harasiuk were second with a time of 4:02 and Gerald and Maxine Mercier were third with 4:55. Fast or slow, all 13 teams received a prize for successfully taking on the challenge.

A familiarity with the wild west was an asset during the Dare Race, where teams took tight turns around the barrels, left, tried their hand at team roping, right, and goat tying, below, as well as log sawing and other skills. Matthew Harasiuk and Tatum Williams, below right, were the fastest to complete the course to take home the trophy created by Blaine Easthope.

Vicki Brooker photos



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Stoney Lake Stampede marks 50th anniversary

Stoney Lake Stampede Association members, including Joe Tymofichuk, a member since 1973, mounted up and carried in the flags in their colourful and traditional Grand Entry on Sunday, July 8. The riders were accompanied by a wagon carrying the four remaining original members, Walter Piotrowski, Ed Piotrowski, Steve Drobot and Gunther May, shown acknowledging his introduction with a wave of his hat, Olga Demchuk, who started the pancake breakfast tradition in 1964, and 1967 rodeo queen Patsy Zarowny who proudly wore her hat from that occasion.

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Ball update

The Bonnyville Braves have finished their final round robin going one and one this past weekend, leaving them with a three wins and five losses record and right on the bubble of staying in the tier one or being moved to tier two for the provincial final weekend. Some teams still have games to play this week and the final will not be determined until all the games are played and therefore the provincial sites will not be announced until late this week.



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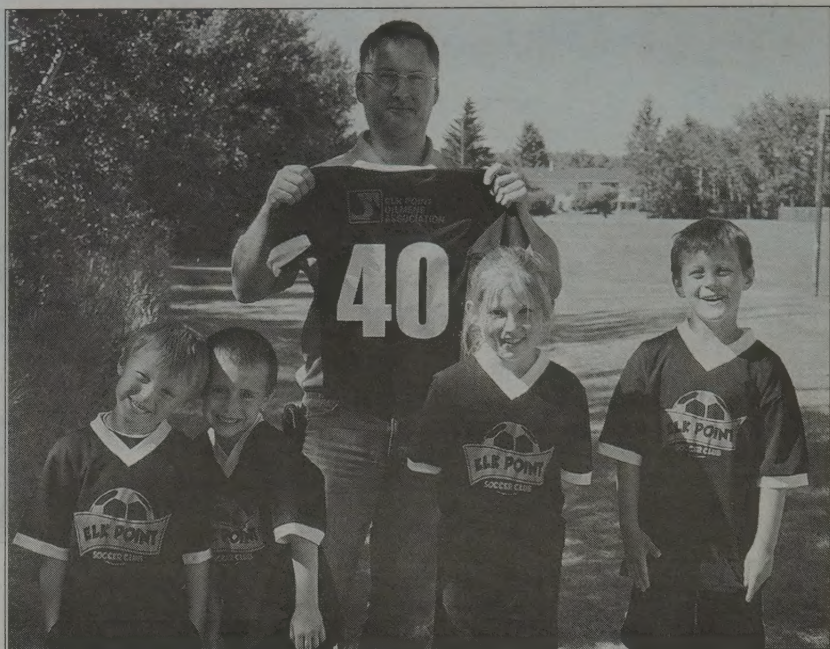
Taylor Cochrane has been playing at the highest possible level of competitive women's fastball for quite a few years now. This year she is playing for the Alberta Warriors. Over in Lloydminster this past weekend at the Midget A Fastball provincials, the Alberta Warriors defeated Calgary Kaisen 10 to 6. Taylor batted 4 for 4 at the plate and had five RBIs. As of press time on Sunday the games were rained out and the tournament had been postponed.

And another one of our local athletes is also competing in provincials. Austin "Ozzie" Stafford signed up with St. Paul provincial peewee team after the peewee Sox and the Lakeland League was finished. Up in Elizabeth Colony this past Wednesday night, the hired gun "Ozzie" fired six straight strikeouts on his way to helping his team on to a 16 to 4 victory. "Ozzie" will be going to the provincial final this coming weekend in Lacombe.

And now for the K.A.Campbell quote of the week: "The way we're going is I called up another pitcher, he'd hang up the phone on me." Last week's answer to- "I'm not the manager because I'm always right, but I'm always right because I'm the manager."- Gene Mauch. Have a sports scoop? Now you can email them to sportshound007@hotmail.com

Soccer Club benefits from local support

The Elk Point Oilmen's Association, here represented by Tim Smereka, generously donated the money for our new team jerseys. Our old jerseys were long ready to retire, and were overly large on the children. They were also mis-matched and usually didn't have enough of one color for a team and sometimes a team had to use two different styles of jerseys. Now every age group has the same jersey, making it easier to fit the children.



Four Elk Point Soccer Club members visited the Elk Point Co-op recently to thank manager Mark Gormley for the Co-op's ongoing sponsorship of team photos which has been an annual contribution for many years.

Tara Cameron photos



Karen Stafford made a cash donation to the Elk Point Soccer Club on behalf of the Pete Stafford Memorial golf tournament. Community sponsorship plays a vital role in helping the many youngsters involved in the club to enjoy another rewarding season.

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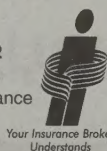
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Summer Reading Program underway

Elk Point Municipal Library's Summer Reading Program got underway on Thursday, with a total of 10 youngsters signed up for a summer of stories, games and activities. Here, the summer readers learn the fine art of braiding bracelets, and summer reading program coordinator Bailey Oster says much more fun is on the way.

Federal boundary lines being redrawn across the province

BY JANICE HUSER

Review Contributor

The riding of Westlock – St. Paul might cease to exist if proposed changes to the federal electoral boundaries go ahead, with St. Paul instead becoming part of a Lakeland riding.

In the draft, lines across the entire province are redrawn and new names given to most ridings. According to the draft, St. Paul would be in a riding called Lakeland, which would include communities such as Cold Lake, Bonnyville, Vegreville, Vermilion and Lloydminster.

Residents on the east side of the Westlock-St. Paul riding seem to be more accepting of the changes than residents on the west side, according to Westlock – St. Paul's MP.

"It doesn't seem like a bad idea," says Brian Storseth about the new Lakeland riding, adding that St. Paul would be homogenous with the rest of the riding. But grouping communities such as Westlock and Barrhead into a riding that stretches all the way to the Northwest Territories and to the B.C. border is a "ridiculous option."

"The Lakeland riding is a far more reasonable riding," says Storseth.

When he gave his submission, Storseth says he recommended the riding stay as it is, especially since the Westlock-St. Paul riding was a new riding in 2004 and it takes time for constituents to get used to the changes. The population of Westlock-St. Paul is 107,532, according to Storseth, which is very close to the number being sought.

The new Lakeland riding would have a population of 104,502.

"At the end of the day, it should be about what people want," says Storseth, adding that the process shouldn't involve politicians drawing lines on a map in a back room.

Storseth says he will be meeting with his association and local governments to discuss how they feel about the proposed draft. He adds that he is not too concerned about the first draft, since it is still early in the process.

He encourages communities to put in written submissions if they have any concerns about the boundary redistribution. It's important that people take the opportunity to offer input, he says.

The redistribution process is required by the Canadian constitution to happen every eight to 10 years. The current

redistribution process will include six new ridings in Alberta, for a total of 34, to account for population increases.

"Population shifts and the creation of six new electoral districts have resulted in a new electoral district landscape for Alberta," said Carole Conrad, chair of the three-member Electoral Boundaries Commission, in a release. The population in Alberta has increased from 2.9 million to 3.6 million, according to the 2011 census.

"As one electoral boundary was drawn, an adjacent electoral district was inevitably impacted. As a result, all electoral districts in Alberta have been altered, some more substantially than others."

The process will now go to a public hearing stage, where the Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission will travel through the province to solicit feedback. A final draft is scheduled to reach the Chief Electoral Officer by Dec. 21, 2012.

The commission has scheduled hearings in Barrhead and Vegreville in September, but none in St. Paul at this time.

Regardless of the changes made to the riding, for the next three years Storseth says he is committed to representing the people of Westlock-St. Paul, "the same as we always have."

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Irvine second in Stampede Dash for Cash

By VICKI BROOKER

Review Staff

"The Story from LaCorey," World Professional Chuckwagon Association teamster Doug Irvine, swept across the finish line at the Calgary Stampede's \$100,000 Rangeland Derby's Dash for Cash in a close-packed threesome that took officials some time to sort out.

Jason Glass was actually first to cross the line, with a running time of 1:18:29, but was assessed an interference penalty that gave third-generation driver Troy Dorchester the win when he crossed the line in 1:18:40, just .01 second ahead of Irvine. Gary Gorst, who trailed the pack all the way around the track, placed third.

Irvine received \$25,000 for his second place finish, Gorst \$15,000 and Glass \$10,000.

None of the prize money was easily earned, with drivers, outriders, horses and wagons emerging from the fray thickly coated with

mud after an afternoon of heavy rainfall added considerable challenge to the final day of the 100th annual Stampede.

Irvine is originally from Lindbergh, and has many local fans who were glued to their televisions on Sunday night to watch the action.

Sunday was the final Stampede race for another area driver, with Buddy Bensmiller coming out of last year's retirement when he finished last year's circuit in the final qualifying spot and was invited back to take part. Bensmiller's sons and grandson climbed in the wagon and rode back past the grandstand with Bensmiller as he was applauded for his many years of success on the chuckwagon circuit.

This weekend, the World Professional Chuckwagon Association will be racing in Bonnyville from Thursday through Sunday, and Irvine is sure to have many of his hometown fans on hand to watch the action.

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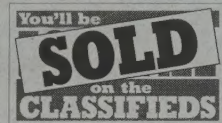
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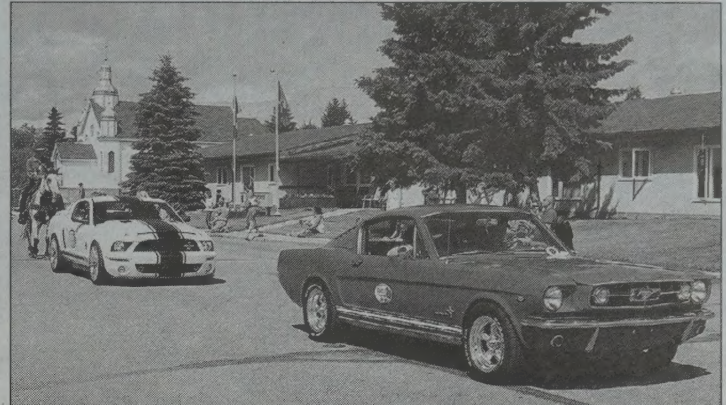
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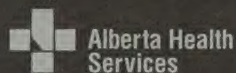
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QUALIFICATIONS

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Competition Number: 2012-14813
Location: Elk Point, AB
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